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## Carolers Bring Christmas to Hospital



Christmas was taken into the sick rooms of Royal Jubilee Hospital last night when 22 choir boys of the Christ Church Cathedral visited and sang carols to the patients. Here a section of the choir sings for Charles West, 220 Linden, who is in hospital for the 26th time in seven years. Front row, left to right: James Mackay, Tom

Beesley, Terry Findlay and Michael Potter; back row, Fred Frampton, Michael Symons, Bill Gower and David Isherwood. One of the patients most pleased by the choir was Captain Wilfrid Ord, president of the choir, who is recovering from an eye operation. Graham Steed is conductor.

## Christmas Tree Golf Tournament Entries Now Full

BY HARRY YOUNG

Don't say you were not warned to get in that entry quickly for The Daily Colonist Christmas Tree Golf Tournament at Victoria Golf Club on Monday.

Shortly before noon yesterday the entries had to be closed because it would be impossible to handle any more players on one course on a single winter day.

Phil Taylor, professional at the host club, who is co-ordinating the entries and making the draw, announced the closure at 87. The remaining three places are held in reserve for up-Island or Mainland entries that may be in the mail.

Organized and sponsored by The Daily Colonist in conjunction with the Victoria and District Golf Committee, the competition now needs only good weather to make it an outstanding success.

Backmarkers in the event are Bob Fleming, the Pacific Northwest champion and Bill McColl.

and in the struggle for the trophy are most of the leading district low-handicap players.

The entry consists of 28 players from Uplands, 21 from Gorge Vale, 20 from Victoria, 13 from Colwood, two from Cedar Hill, and five unattached to any area club.

To clear up any possible misunderstanding, it should be pointed out that entrants without any accredited club handicap will be eligible to compete only for the gross score prizes.

The draw will be made tomorrow afternoon and order of play and starting times will be published in The Daily Colonist tomorrow.

Play begins at 9.30.

## Trapped by Flames

## Three Children Die Searching for Gifts

AUSTIN, Minn. (UP)—Three young children, apparently using matches or candles to search for hidden Christmas presents, were burned to death last night when they were trapped by flames in the attic closet of their small home.

Firemen attempted to rescue the youngsters but were beaten back by the flames.

A fire department captain said the fire started from matches or a candle.

"The kids were looking for something," he said. "It was probably Christmas presents."

**TWINS AND SISTER**

The bodies of five-year-old twins Donald and Arnold Bottleson and their nine-year-old sister, Janice, were found

huddled in the corner of the narrow closet.

"The kids didn't have a chance. The flames must have spread quickly," the captain said.

Mrs. Bottleson, who became hysterical at the scene, ran out of the house with her youngest child, Chris, who will be two next February. She was taken to hospital, suffering from shock.

Coastal residents of northern Europe got a breathing spell late in the day after hurricanes and high seas pierced dikes and wrecked shipping, but weather forecasters warned more storms were on the way.

## Germ War Defended

WASHINGTON (UP)—The U.S. army's authority on germ warfare said today it would be "an act of barbarism" to deny American troops the use of biological weapons in a future war.

Maj. Gen. William M. Creasy, chief army chemical officer, said germ warfare now is quite capable of defeating an enemy "with the least possible expenditure of American lives."

He warned that the Communist would have no qualms in using germ warfare.

## Storms Batter Vessels

LONDON (AP)—New storms roared on the battered coasts of northern Europe Wednesday night while rescue vessels searched for 19 seamen feared lost on the 2,000-ton Belgian freighter Henri Dewert.

Another vessel, the 1,317-ton Swedish freighter Petra, believed lost with 21 men in Tuesday night's big blow, was located early in the night by search craft and her crew was reported safe. She was said to be helpless and leaking and rescue tugs set out to save her crew before new gales struck.

The England-to-France ferry Cote d'Azur was towed into Calais harbor late in the day after two nights in the channel with a pierced hull and a disabled engine. The ferry rammed the pier at Calais Monday and was swept back out to sea. The 31 passengers escaped injury.

A rescue craft searching for the Henri Dewert reported sighting a lifeboat but lost contact before it could determine whether anyone was aboard. The last message from the Belgian freighter said she was sinking.

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## Flying Soldiers Home

## Plane Crash-Lands Into Icy River

PITTSBURGH (AP)—A non-scheduled twin-engine DC-3 airliner chartered by the United States Army to fly 23 soldiers home for Christmas crash-landed in the icy Monongahela River Wednesday night 15 miles southwest of Pittsburgh. At least 20 of the 28 aboard—which included five crew members—were saved.

The McKeesport Hospital, a few miles from the crash scene, reported 20 survivors from the crash.

The pilot was one of the missing. He was identified as Harold A. Poe of Seattle, Wash.

The control officer of Greater Pittsburgh airport reported the pilot radioed seconds before the crash-landing that he was running out of gas.

The big craft stayed afloat several minutes after the crash. The plane, bound for west coast destinations, carried soldiers from Camp Kilmer, N.J.

**SOLDIERS SLEEPING**  
Most of the soldiers were sleeping when a crew member warned them the ship was about to crash-land. The plane panicked to the river seconds after many of those aboard had tightened their safety belts or braced themselves for the impact. This was credited with saving many lives.

The water was about 12 feet deep. The temperature was freezing—near the 20-degree mark.

None of the survivors was believed in critical condition. Scores of police and rescue workers went to the scene. Efforts were being made to raise the submerged plane.

A towboat from U.S. Steel Corporation's fleet helped pick up survivors. The crash occurred near the corporation's Clairton works.

Shaking with shock and cold from their icy plunge into the river the first rescued gave a graphic description of what happened. Many of the young servicemen were sleeping just before the crash said Cpl. Tony L. Toffemark, 22, of Eugene, Ore.

"I just woke up when the plane slowed down," Toffemark said. "When I looked out and didn't see an airfield I knew we were in trouble. Then the motors cut out. 'Someone up front yelled. 'Pull up safety belts tight.' 'When the plane hit someone yelled, 'Bust out the windows and crawl out on the wing.' Then we were swimming."

**FIRST OFF**  
"I was the first off the plane," Middleton said. "The pilot said 'get help.' So I dived off the wing as soon as I came out of the escape hatch. I swam to shore and ran up to a road. 'I started flagging cars and the first four passed me up. The fifth one stopped and rode me into a town to get help. Then I went back to the scene. I had records of all the soldiers but I wasn't going back to get them because the plane was sinking. I only feel sorry for those that couldn't make it because I know some of them couldn't swim."

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**In Postal Theft**  
**Police Have Warrant For Black's Arrest**

VANCOUVER (CP)—A warrant for the arrest of John Cleland Black, 42-year-old postal assistant who vanished from nearby Britannia Beach the same day as a \$44,000 payroll, has been issued here by RCMP.

Police said the warrant charges Black with theft of a parcel containing the money. They said also a reward of \$100 plus 5 per cent of any money recovered has been offered by an insurance company.

The warrant stimulates a search for Black who was last seen Thursday night a few hours before discovery of the theft.

**POLICE NOT SURE**  
Police and postal investigators emphasized at that time it was not known if a connection existed between Black's disappearance and the theft, one of the highest post office losses in Canada in recent years.

The money, addressed to the Britannia Beach Branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, represented the Christmas payroll for employees of the mining and smelting company there.

Disappearance of the money was discovered Friday morning when a bank employee went to the post office to pick up the parcel. The town is about 20 miles north of Vancouver.

## No B.C. Help for 'Outsiders'

## St. Laurent Rejects Jobless Aid Plea

### Province Must Pay

The provincial government will assist in the care of B.C.'s own unemployed but not those who come from other provinces, Premier W. A. C. Bennett told The Daily Colonist from his home in Kelowna yesterday.

He was commenting on the apparent refusal by Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent to provide aid to jobless on a 40-40-20 basis with B.C. municipalities and the province.

The prime minister said in Ottawa yesterday that he has no evidence that British Columbia is unable to bear the financial responsibility of providing relief for those unemployed who are able to work.

"The question is not whether the province has the financial capacity or not," Premier Bennett said, "but whether the federal government should help provide for those people who come from other parts of Canada."

**ASSISTANCE ASKED**  
Premier Bennett had wired the Prime Minister earlier this week asking the federal government to assist in providing direct relief, especially in Vancouver, to unemployed employables who have flocked to the coast.

"If they refuse, they refuse, that's all," said the premier. "We will go ahead with aid for our own people on an 80-20 basis but not the employable people who come into the province."

**REPORTS FROM OTTAWA**  
Reports from Ottawa say Prime Minister St. Laurent has sent Premier Bennett a telegram stating there is no evidence B.C. can't handle the situation alone.

The premier said he had not received any message from Ottawa.

Prime Minister St. Laurent said in Ottawa that his government believed "that the greatly improved economic conditions since that time (before the war) and the introduction of federal unemployment insurance, family allowances, old-age security payments costing the federal government in all about \$1,000,000,000 annually have reduced remaining costs for unemployed employables to a level within the financial capacity of the provinces."

"We have no evidence that the burden remaining to be borne as a normal provincial responsibility is beyond the financial capacity of British Columbia," he said. "We have facts about the numbers receiving federal unemployment insurance benefits and amounts, but we have no information about unemployment employables requesting and receiving relief from municipalities and the province."

**PARIS (AP)—**Premier Mendes-France Wednesday told the National Assembly that rejection of the treaties on rearmament of Germany might cost France her status as a major power.

Heeding repeated demands from the deputies for a new Big Four meeting to try to ease friction between the East and West, Mendes-France said the first consideration is to solidify the Western alliance.

He said this can be accomplished only by French agreement to the treaties which will bring Germany into the Western camp as an equal partner.

"If the assembly takes the grave step of a second refusal, there will no longer be a question of four-power negotiations," he said.

"Maybe there would be negotiations, but with two or three powers present, because... we would no longer have any political influence. We would have no role to play in an eventual lessening of tensions."

### B.C. Assignment

## Experts Seek Jobless Cure

The B.C. government has put to work its experts in the bureau of economics and statistics to find a solution to the seasonal unemployment problem.

About 20 major and minor industries here and in Vancouver are being studied by the bureau. The bureau will report direct to Trade and Industry Minister Ralph Chetwynd and Labor Minister Lyle Wicks.

But no report is expected before another month is up.

One result of the studies is expected to be a definite prediction of unemployment peak and long range view of employment possibilities generally.

The experts are studying figures over the past seven years in relation to their recommendations. All possible contributing factors, such as labor disputes, weather conditions, and supplies of materials are included in the research effort.

**UNION CALL**  
Disclosure of the government's action came yesterday as Victoria local of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL-TLC) urged establishment of a Victoria unemployment council, embracing trade unions, municipal and industrial officials.

Spokesman for the union, Charles A. Peck said the proposed council should make a study of construction needs and public works plans for this area well in advance of need and make recommendations to promote steady employment.

The suggestion will go before Victoria District Trades and Labor Council January 5, it is expected.

Reeve Joseph Casey said last night a similar scheme was proposed by the Union of B.C. Municipalities, of which he is an officer.

His municipality, the reeve said, has been attempting to maintain employment. About 75 per cent of the \$2,500,000 sewer scheme employees have been kept at work despite poor weather conditions.

**MONTREAL (BUP)—**Lou Wyman, 52, Runyon-esque ex-fight promoter and restaurateur, planned to surrender to police today to face charges in connection with an alleged \$341,000 stock swindle involving United States investors.

**LONDON (Reuters)—**Britain and Communist Poland have concluded an agreement providing for increased trade in 1955, the Board of Trade announced Wednesday. More than £70,000,000 worth of goods are to be exchanged each way under the agreement.

**CALGARY, Alta. (BUP)—**The one-month-old daughter of a Calgary wrestler, Louis Sjoberg, who is at Paris, France, on a wrestling tour, suffocated while sleeping in her carriage at the foot of Mrs. Sjoberg's bed.

**VANCOUVER (BUP)—**A total of 58 single men lined up yesterday as Vancouver's social services department began issuing emergency cash relief to the city's destitute unemployed.

**LEDEUC, Alta. (CP)—**Oil company officials began guiding fire-fighting equipment Wednesday to a burning oil well they said was touched off as a result of attempted conservation measures.

**BRUSSELS (Reuters)—**Belgian Foreign Minister Paul-Henri Spaak said Wednesday he is "convinced" the Spanish government is harboring Leon Degrelle, Belgian Nazi sentenced to death in absentia here after the war.

**REGISTER FOR WHAT?** asked night caretaker John Stearns, politely.

"For a room—I want a room," said the man. "What kind of hotel is this, anyway?"

After being informed of the building's real function, the weary traveler went on his way.

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## But He Didn't Say Whether He Wanted One with Bath!

Premier W. A. C. Bennett could make a little extra change for the provincial treasury in the tourist season by renting rooms.

At least some people think the domed Legislative Building is a hotel.

The last applicant turned up last night. After banging on the front door he entered a small inquiry office and noticed the visitors' book.

"Ah, I guess this is where I register, eh?" he inquired.

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## Family Tragedy

## Baby Elephant's Wail Drives Mother to Death

MOSCOW (AP)—Tragedy has struck the elephant family at the Moscow zoo.

The mother elephant is dead, the baby elephant refuses to eat and the father elephant is crying his heart out.

Reports say the trouble

started when the baby elephant got a splinter in his foot. Veterinarians tried to extract the splinter and the patient wailed.

Hearing his cries, the mother elephant charged to his aid. She broke through the bars of her cage but got stuck. Before

she could be released she choked to death.

Now the baby elephant refuses to eat and zoo attendants are trying forced feeding in an effort to save his life.

Nearby, the father elephant trumpets his grief ceaselessly.







# Air Navigation Orders Revised To Meet Jet Age

OTTAWA (CP)—The Government Wednesday night announced revised air navigation orders increasing distance and visibility requirements for civil planes during visual flying and said they were made necessary by the increasing air traffic and

speeds of the jet age.

Under the new orders aircraft under visual control must maintain a horizontal distance of one mile from the nearest cloud formation, instead of 2,000 feet away. This will affect all scheduled flight aircraft under air traffic control.

## TWO MILES

Visibility requirements in the areas lying generally west of the coast range mountains in British Columbia, including Vancouver Island and the Queen Charlotte Islands, is increased to two miles from one mile for flying under visual flight rules.

The transport department, which governs civilian flying, said this latter amendment was made because of the terrain and weather conditions prevailing on the Pacific Coast.

A department spokesman said the new air safety regulations do not stem directly from the collision of an RCAF Harvard trainer and a Trans

Canada Air Lines plane over Moose Jaw last April 1 in which 37 died.

The new rules were part of a general revision that was under study when the Moose Jaw crash occurred. But investigation of that accident and the lessons learned from it had played a part in the drafting of the regulation changes.

# Suitor Frees Woman After Terror Ordeal

WAKE FOREST, N.C. (AP)—Twenty-four hours of terror ended Wednesday afternoon for tiny 30-year-old Jessie Elizabeth Davis when she was released unharmed by a deranged, rejected suitor who had her captive at pistol point.

Miss Davis was taken home and put to bed under doctor's care while the suitor, 31-year-old Graham Timberlake, was taken to the state mental hospital in Raleigh, N.C.

Disarmed, meek and cooperative, Timberlake said:

"It was just one of those things you do and are sorry for afterward. Everybody's been nice to me—nicer than they should be, to tell the truth, and I appreciate it. I am feeling a whole lot better."

For a full day and night he held the dark-haired, 100-pound former WAC a prisoner in a small room of the Royal cotton mill here, where both worked.

## GUN AT HEAD

Most of the time he kept a .25-calibre automatic pistol pointed at her head or stomach and threatened to kill her if anyone interfered.

Jessie Elizabeth held up well through the long ordeal, her elder sister, Petronia, reported.

Officers and friends of both Timberlake and Miss Davis pleaded constantly for her release but to no avail. He frequently permitted some of his friends, a doctor and Petronia, to enter the room

# Long Neck Held Panhandling



Swans in a suburb of Hamburg, Germany, have become trained to come right up to passing cars for food. Many drivers ride through the parks for the thrill of feeding the graceful birds.—(Central Press Canadian.)



# NEWS REVIEW

By Ron Ellis

From CP, AP, Reuters, BUP

About 100 prisoners in Canadian jails and prisons whose terms would be completed during the Christmas season have been released early by act of royal clemency. Similar action is taken every year just before Christmas.

view, mutual consideration, with a background of the General Assembly resolution," he said.

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden told the House of Commons yesterday there is "no reason to consider that the Soviet threat to the free world has diminished." At the same time he endorsed U.S. State Secretary Dulles' stand that new atomic weapons would guard Western Europe against Russian invasion.

In Santa Monica, Calif., Edward G. Robinson, Jr., son of the actor, received an unscheduled Christmas present—dismissal of the robbery charges against him. He was arrested last July and charged with robbing two taxi drivers of \$38.

A Hollywood dispatch says Liberace is under doctor's orders to take a vacation until February 1 because of a "mild and temporary heart strain due to lack of rest."

In Lansing, Mich., a sister of Dr. Charles Laughhead, ousted Michigan State College physician, has petitioned the courts to declare him and his wife, Lillian, mentally ill. Dr. Laughhead received wide attention with his predictions last week that half of the continent would be wiped out by cataclysmic changes.

United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld said last night he was not going to Peiping to "beg" Red China to release 31 American airmen and other United Nations' Korean War personnel still held prisoner. "I am not going anywhere to beg anybody for anything. I am going to bring up a situation which calls for, in my

# Interview Refused

# Police in Vancouver Clamp Down on News

VANCOUVER (CP)—One of Vancouver's three daily newspapers currently feuding with police over news-gathering restrictions, was told Wednesday night that only traffic news deemed fit for the public would be released.

The Vancouver Herald, in a front-page story, said traffic superintendent Alan Rossiter declined to be interviewed by a Herald reporter.

"When I have some information for you, I'll let you know," Superintendent Rossiter was quoted as saying. "I'll even have it printed up for you. I don't trust The Herald and I'm concerned about what the public should read. I'm not going to say anything because I don't know what you'll print."

The statement came when reporter Jim Gilmore requested an interview for a story on pre-Christmas road blocks.

It followed by a few hours statements by all three publishers to Chief Walter Mulligan that a proposed conference on handling of crime news would serve no useful purpose unless police approached the matter with an open mind.

The publishers were replying Harriet Martineau, English novelist who died in 1876, wrote books on political economy, history and household education.

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# Loggers To Seek Increase

An across-the-board wage boost is one of 14 demands set for 1955 contract negotiations by the 3,500-member International Woodworkers of America "loggers local" 171.

The amount sought will be set at a wages conference early next year. Negotiations affect logging operations on Vancouver Island's East and West Coasts.

The local also has voted to establish a strike fund with a minimum of \$5,000,000.

The remaining 28,500 B.C. members of the IWA will meet in district convention at Vancouver February 15 to 18. Contract demands will be discussed then but referred to a later union conference.

# Western Canada Weather Not Bit Like Christmas

WINNIPEG (CP)—Fuzzy pussy willows made their appearance at Fort Frances, Ont. Wednesday as Western Canada looked no more prepared for Christmas—weather wise—than Florida.

And you couldn't blame Western Canada residents for not being in any hurry to spend the winter in the south.

But although the majority of people were happy with the weather, many northern residents had nothing good to say about the balmy mild spell now in its second week.

The weather bureau promised it would be a little cooler Thursday with scattered snow flurries but they added the weather would still not match the cold Arctic air mass now covering most of the north country.

Many fishermen have lost valuable equipment during the mild thawing spell due to this ice on northern lakes.

One man at God's Lake, 430 miles northeast of Winnipeg, lost four bombards when

they broke through the ice. Two were recovered but the other pair are still at the bottom of God's Lake. The bombards, tracked vehicles designed especially for northern use, cost \$3,500 each.

The Northlands Fishing Company lost a ski-equipped plane at Big Stone Lake, 350 miles north of here, while at least one truck and two tractors have sunk to the bottom of Lake Manitoba.

Two other planes were reported to have crashed through soft ice, one at Uranium City, Sask., and one at Fort Smith, N.W.T. It is believed both were recovered.



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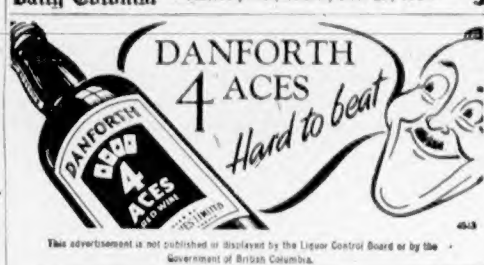
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## Narcotic Treatment Centre

WHILE the site, other than as to its convenience, is relatively unimportant, a coming together of the federal and provincial governments in Canada on the possibility of rehabilitating drug addicts would be one of the most encouraging steps in the issue. Recent correspondence between Ottawa and Victoria on the subject has shown that the Dominion is interested, to the extent in this first instance of offering a suggested site at William Head for a treatment centre. As this would involve moving the federal quarantine service elsewhere the proposal is not likely to have been made without due reflection.

Very much to the point was Health Minister Martin's suggestion that British Columbia might receive federal aid in grants given by the Dominion towards hospitalization. This help, at the rate of up to \$1,000 a bed, could make a material contribution towards whatever this, or any other province, finds it feasible and practical to do in the matter. Attorney-General Bonner, whose early interest in a study of a narcotics treatment centre has brought governmental correspondence to this point, would be fully justified in going ahead with further enquiries, possibly in conjunction with the other provinces.

Under modern means the hospitaliza-

tion of narcotic addicts voluntarily offering for treatment can be successful. In practice on this continent treatment has proved easier than the immediately following after-care in that period in which relapses are apt to set in. It will be some gain, however, if the attention now being devoted to the problem results in a forward step being taken, not only in British Columbia but also throughout Canada. While the percentage of drug addiction in the nation relatively is very small, what occurrence there is of it is ruinous to the unfortunate individuals concerned. Anything that can be done for them in their affliction would be a worthwhile effort.

Concerning the federal offer of William Head buildings, which were constructed as an isolation hospital with catering and other staff services, there is a certain aptitude in the plan and its environment if in other respects it could be made to serve. That might free a large part of whatever financial outlay would be implied in an active treatment centre for direct hospital services. However, at the moment the question of a fitting site is not so urgent as a decision on the part of the provinces and the Dominion to get together on plans for the gradual eradication in Canada of one of the most appalling of human afflictions.

## Mr. Gunderson's Appointment

PREMIER Bennett's announcement that the British Columbia Government has engaged Mr. Einar Gunderson as an economic adviser should put an end to conjecture as to Mr. Gunderson's status in administration of provincial affairs.

Along with others, this paper has been critical of the relationship which had existed hitherto, under which Mr. Gunderson appeared to be acting in the capacity of financial adviser to the government while holding no official appointment other than that of a director of the PGE Railway at a nominal fee of \$100 a month. It was a somewhat peculiar arrangement, and Mr. Gunderson's apparent activity in a much wider provincial field invited an assumption that he had been accorded a position of influence in public affairs usually allowed only to those formally elected or appointed to office. Had Mr. Bennett acted sooner to put Mr. Gunderson's employment on a more regular basis there could have been no cause for public questioning of the relationship.

The premier's official announcement this week confirms Mr. Gunderson's appointment to study the complex question of modifying the terms of Dominion-

provincial tax agreements which have been in effect without material structural alteration since 1941, renewed at five-yearly intervals since the war. He is a man acknowledged to have wide and valuable experience in financial matters, and so far as this specific service to the province is concerned his defeat at the polls are quite beside the point. If the government is convinced that he is the right man for the task, that is the only consideration which should be allowed to weigh.

There is ample precedent for the employment of expert advice from outside the government service for undertakings of this sort. On more than one occasion the Coalition government obtained the advice of a noted Montreal lawyer on matters affecting both provincial-municipal and Dominion-provincial relations and financial responsibilities—at fees substantially higher than those fixed for Mr. Gunderson's services. There certainly cannot be any ground for criticism on that score, for a man of Mr. Gunderson's ability and experience could command in private practice a fee many times that which he has accepted for his work on behalf of the province.

## Boxing Day Tournament

THE immediate response to announcement of the Colonist Christmas Tree golf tournament points up sharply the lack of any such event to date and the void that now promises to be filled. Few places in Canada, of course, could stage an outdoor Boxing Day attraction of the nature and this tournament should direct fresh eyes towards the amenities of this city as a winter playground. Because of the time limit involved the initial entries will of necessity be fewer than what may be expected in succeeding years, but already they are sufficient to assure a successful and interesting tournament.

Obviously the idea has captured local imagination, and it seems likely to grow to major proportions, rivaling the well-known golf tournaments of the spring and summer months. The Colonist is happy to sponsor this event as another contribution to healthy recreational activity, matching the interest this newspaper takes in other aspects of the

sporting welfare of the community. Professional practice has its rightful and spectacular place in the sports realm, but the life-blood of athletic recreation must of necessity depend on the virility of amateur endeavour. In this respect therefore the Christmas Tree tournament should enhance the opportunities for participation.

As a Boxing Day attraction it fits in also with the seasonal festivities of Christmas which invite many visitors to the city to enjoy the unusual Yuletide pageantry in which they may take part. Undoubtedly their number will be swelled as the Christmas Tree tournament becomes known throughout Canada and across the border, and one more winter event of importance is thus added to the local scene. Both Victoria and visiting golfers alike may be expected to take the fullest advantage of this new tournament, and no pains will be spared to ensure the comfort and enjoyment of each and every competitor.

## Interpreting the News

## Moscow Will Understand

By WILLIAM L. RYAN  
Associated Press News Analyst

STATE Secretary Dulles, in discussing chances of war and peace during a press conference in Washington this week, drew a striking parallel with earlier post-war years.

His analysis goes far toward explaining apparent contradictions in the statements of American leaders on the subject.

Ever since the first days of the Marshall Plan, Soviet performance has demonstrated that Moscow will react violently to any attempt by the West to strengthen itself. But Soviet actions also have shown that Moscow will back away from any adventure that is not a sure thing.

Illustrating the point, Dulles recalled the violent Soviet threats against the Marshall Plan against adoption of the North Atlantic Treaty, against establishment of the German federal republic, and against Yugoslavia when it broke with the Cominform. The threats remained only threats because Western strength did not diminish.

Today another prospect frightens the Russians. That is the idea of West Germany, with

its great industrial potential, linked in a defensive military alliance with the West. Such power would be sufficient to balk any idea Moscow might have about a quick, cheap grab westward.

Dulles called attention to the North Atlantic Council's communiqué which said "Soviet policy continues to be directed toward weakening and dividing Western nations and... the threat to the free world has not diminished."

This does not necessarily conflict with Defence Secretary Wilson's statement previously that American ground forces were being reduced because the Eisenhower administration believed the threat of global war had diminished. The strength which Moscow respects is the ability of the West to retaliate swiftly with superior power in weapons.

There seems little danger Moscow will misunderstand the meaning of such a message. The danger lies, however, in the possibility Europeans might misunderstand it and Moscow might be able to capitalize on such misunderstanding.



"Dear, I still think we should have had this cleared with the Department."

## Thinking Aloud Gerald Waring

"... of shoes—and ships—and sailing seas—of cabbage and kings."

By TOM TAYLOR

THIS is the time of the year when many a gathering will make the welkin ring with that fine nostalgic song, "Auld Lang Syne."

Burns it was who wrote it, you remember. At least all his editors credit him with its authorship. When sending the song to Thomson for his "Select Melodies" Burns himself said he took it down from an old man's singing, but that denial is ascribed to a playful humour on the poet's part.

The words reek of the Bard and no one else.

What are the words? Aye, there's the rub. To tell the truth a lot of folk get lost after the first few lines, as they do with "O Canada," and thereafter just join in fitfully. And that's a pity, for when "Auld Lang Syne" is the occasion—well, everyone's in the mood to sing.

Maybe I should print the song, then you can memorize it and not miss any of the up-coming fun this next fortnight. Here it is:

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,  
And never brought to mind?  
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,  
And auld lang syne?

For auld lang syne, my dear,  
For auld lang syne,  
We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet,  
For auld lang syne.

And there's a hand, my trusty fiere!  
And gie's a hand o' thine!  
And we'll tak a right gude-willie waught,  
For auld lang syne.

For auld lang syne, etc.

There are three other verses, about pailin' in the burn and runnin' roun the braes, but no one ever sings them. It will be all right if you confine yourself to the words I've listed.

Auld lang syne of course refers to the old long ago—that is, for old time's sake, the theme of this nostalgic farewell. It is tribute to the gathering that sings the song as well as to fond recollection, however, for when you join hands and lift your voice you pledge the memory of the present occasion.

Fiere is friend and is a word seldom sung, friend or frien' being wrongly substituted. Gude-willie waught is a copious dochan-dorik, not originally coffee but maybe you'd better make it coffee. You'll notice, too, by the way, that Burns never said anything about "the days of" auld lang syne.

One thing more. You don't cross hands before it's time. At first in the circle you hold hands in the manner most natural, your right with one neighbour's left and your left with the other neighbour's right. Not until you start to sing the line "And there's a hand" do you cross arms and reverse yourself.

And not until the last chorus do you let yourself go, increasing the tempo of the song and pumping your arms up and down. If you get into the real spirit of the occasion you should be limp by the time it's all over.

Well, there you are. Now you're all set for big things to come this festive fortnight. And you'll be doing Burns full justice if you sing his song correctly.

## Reports from Ottawa

THE farthest thing from the Air Force's mind is to punish Squadron Leader Andy MacKenzie because he signed a false confession that he had flown over Communist China.

Quite the opposite. The RCAF is as proud of MacKenzie as it can be—a pride which was put into words by Foreign Minister Pearson when he said, after questioning MacKenzie last week, that the officer "is a credit to Canada and to the RCAF."

Yet there's no doubt MacKenzie went further than a strict interpretation of Queen's Rules and Regulations (Air) permit a captured flier to go. Any serviceman captured by the enemy is supposed to give no more information than his name, regimental number and rank. He is forbidden to supply the enemy with any information, even false information, which the enemy might use to advantage.

Under duress, after 16 months of solitary confinement and expectation of execution had broken his will to resist further, MacKenzie wrote a "confession" for his Chinese captors. In it he said he had flown his fighter plane over Chinese soil, and that his superior officers had briefed him to commit his act of invasion of Chinese air space.

Hostilities in Korea had been over for eight and one-half months when MacKenzie finally acquiesced to his captors' demands. Moreover, MacKenzie knew the fighting had ceased, and had known it for more than seven months.

So far as is known here, the Chinese have never made any use of MacKenzie's false confession. What use they may still put it to is conjectural. It's not unlikely it will be publicized when the Chinese propagandists believe it and similar admissions will most benefit their evil cause.

The Western world now has Mac-

Kenzie's story from his own lips—how his captors disregarded the armistice stipulation that POW be exchanged within 60 days, how they disregarded the Geneva Convention governing treatment of POW and how they tortured MacKenzie's mind and finally defeated his will to resist.

This is a story which the West should publicize well in the East, before the Reds use MacKenzie's confession to try to convince other Asians that Mao Tse-tung's bloody course is simply to defend his beloved China against foreign aggressors.

They do conflict with MacKenzie's actions, but in the light of all the circumstances the only wonder is that the tall, lean, soft-spoken Montrealer held out as long as he did.

However, much as the whole Air Force admires MacKenzie's fortitude during his ordeal, the heads of the service are almost forced into non-committal silence on the general proposition that giving in under totalitarian methods of interrogation—for which you may read "torture"—is not a punishable violation of QR and O.

For the services to say so publicly, and in effect put aside QR and O would be to invite men who fall into enemy hands—men perhaps with less guts than MacKenzie—to ignore the services prohibition against giving information to the enemy.

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By the time the host, now wearing a coat, has got the fire to make some sort of effort and has refilled the empty log basket; by the time the half-completed model of an airliner has been removed from the occasional table, the teapot has appeared, and under its soothing influence a more settled atmosphere prevails, conducive to the forming of invisible ties.

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## The Packsack

OF GREGORY CLARK

WHEN you see a feeble old man who obviously has been a more or less feeble middle-aged man and a feeble young man, there is a sort of warm, tender feeling towards him. His old age becomes him.

But when you see someone whom you knew as a mighty man, a famous athlete of bygone days, or a proud and masterful man



with old age making a ruin of him, there is no tenderness in your heart for him, but only a shocked sense of reproach. No pity enters into your feelings at all. Old age certainly does not become him. You feel as if he had let you down.

It is always a shock to see a famous athlete entebled by age. And many of the best of them grow old before their time. In my youth there was an outstanding man who not only started in several fields of sport but who won an enviable reputation as a soldier in the old war. I saw him on the street a few days ago—aged, withered, shrunken, and walking with the caution of a man who fears for his bones and muscles. He should have been a pitiable sight. But I found myself gritting my teeth in the effort to suppress the feeling that he was a disagreeable sight. You might suppose, from the way I felt, that he had no right to grow old.

It is worse with men of affairs. If there was one man who caught my admiration and respect 20 years ago, it was a famous lawyer whose performance at the bar in famous cases and whose political performances on the platform were a joy to behold and a delight to read in print. In the passing years he dwindled out of sight, and I remembered him, of course, in his prime. In a downtown bank the other day, I saw, sitting on one of the ornate chairs they provide in the handsome lobby, a bent old man, his hat on askew, fingering through his bank book with tremulous hands. He had dropped a glove on the floor, and I went and picked it up for him. When he looked up to thank me, vaguely, I realized that I was in the presence of my forensic hero of the past. His voice was feeble. There was a queer, malicious expression in his aged eyes.

Little, ordinary people age rather sweetly.

## Duty on Dolphins

(From The Edmonton Journal)

A STRANGE reflection of our over-complicated and over-governed modern world is the curious sequence of events which occurred when a bottle-nosed dolphin was washed ashore on an English beach.

Normally such an event would attract, at most, the attention of a few sightseers. But according to the press report, the remains were visited by "representatives of customs, police, the British Museum, the Receiver of Wrecks, and the Licensed Horse Slaughterers' Association."

The interest of the British Museum is comprehensible; possibly it is not a punishable violation of QR and O. For the services to say so publicly, and in effect put aside QR and O would be to invite men who fall into enemy hands—men perhaps with less guts than MacKenzie—to ignore the services prohibition against giving information to the enemy.

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# Women, Boy Hurt In Fires

A 12-year-old boy and two women suffered minor hand burns in flash fires yesterday.

Treated at Royal Jubilee Hospital were Brian Sneade and his mother, Mrs. Margaret Sneade, of 1047 George and 31st.

Earl Tilley, 3255 Douglas. Mrs. Sneade and her son were injured about 1 p.m. when a fire broke out in the basement of their home and spread upstairs to the kitchen.

Firemen reported that the boy was burning garbage in the basement when the fire started. Flames charred part of the basement and kitchen, and burned through wiring. Smoke caused extensive damage, and forced city firemen to wear masks while tackling the blaze.

Saanich firemen at the same time were fighting to confine a blaze at Mrs. Tilley's home, which broke out shortly before 1 p.m.

The fire started when the woman slipped and dropped a bottle of gasoline, which she was using to clean a chest-of-drawers, into a fireplace, firemen reported.

She tried to throw the bottle out a window, but it struck a wall. Firemen confined damage to the kitchen.

# Killer Broods In Cell

CLEVELAND (AP) — The stunned Sheppard family went ahead Wednesday with its plans for Christmas — without Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard, who sat alone in a jail cell.

"I don't want to see you; I don't want to talk to anyone," Sheppard told newspaper men. His lawyer, William J. Corrigan, has said he will seek a new trial.

Sheppard was convicted of second-degree murder, intentional killing without premeditation. He received the life sentence, but he could be paroled after 10 years.

The Sheppard family will gather for Christmas at the home of Dr. Richard Sheppard, brother of the convicted killer. Chip, the convicted man's seven-year-old son, took the news that his father would not be home for the holiday without a word.

Then he walked away from the Christmas tree to wrap a gift for his dad, "something he made in school," his uncle guessed.



# A PADRE IN PRINT

BY REV. WILLIAM HILLS

I was looking through 1955 yesterday. All the pages were clean and bright. There was that seductive bouquet of pristine freshness about them which (save my pocket-book!) I find so attractive in any reputable stationer's shop.

Only those who collect diaries, journals, copybooks and the like will understand what I'm driving at.

But this column is not about stationery. It's about Christmas. Nor is it a little homily, cutely written, about the New Year.

Actually, it's about Christmas Day and a footnote.

I have a disputatious friend who dearly loves to drive me into a corner with his arguments.

He doesn't like Christianity but I'm sure he loves the Christ.

Always, at this time of year, he accuses the Church of incorporating the pagan rites of the pre-Christian era into her great festivals.

This, he feels, proves that Christmas is a myth, founded upon the Roman Saturnalia, the homage given to the Persian Mithra, and the Teutonic celebrations in honor of Woden at the time of the winter solstice.

But, by this argument, my own church is not a Christian temple but a Jewish synagogue simply because we recite the psalms of David and read portions of the Old Testament.

What my friend refuses to see is that Christianity is the fulfillment of all that man has ever done to search out the Being of God. It superimposes its truth upon the errors, superstitions, and limited revelations of all other religious systems, and in the process, it purifies and elevates them by its unique and final spiritual enlightenment.

To discover some conjunction

between the Roman Saturnalia and the festival of Christmas is to disclose the historic declaration of the Emperor Constantine and the strength—not the weakness—of the Christian avenger over the forces of paganism.

In the early centuries of the Christian era, the Nativity of Christ was celebrated on various days: January 6, February 2, March 25, April 19, May 20, and November 17.

This was principally due to the fact that in those days there were five different systems of reckoning time.

However, in AD 350, after much investigation, December 25 was accepted as the most probable date of Our Lord's birth, and in successive years, this date was received by Western Christendom.

Now we come to the foot note. In my diary, I notice that Queen Elizabeth's birthday is actually on April 21, but that the celebration of that birthday will be declared by proclamation, and this means that we shall honor our beloved Queen not on a dull and blustery April day, but at a more propitious time of the year.

What we Christians do on December 25 is to celebrate the Nativity of Jesus Christ, although the scholars may not be able to produce a date and time-stamped document of His birth.

The department of vital statistics, the registration of births, and the plastic-covered birth certificate are relatively modern inventions of government.

# Clerk Jailed As Spy

LONDON (Reuters)—A former British army clerk was sent to prison Wednesday for 25 years for collecting secrets about Britain's coastal defenses.

John Clarence, 27, an active Communist who once wandered through France posing as an English duke, was found guilty by a jury after a hush-hush trial in London's Old Bailey court.

Clarence, a bespectacled man with a drooping moustache, was accused of obtaining and recording a secret code word and information about anti-aircraft defenses on the northeast coast of England.

He jotted the code word down on a sheet of blue paper — 24, attacked him at his shoe under the heading: "For the Soviet Union" — found in a briefcase he mislaid.

# Oak Bay May Hold On to Old School

Oak Bay council may not be willing to transfer the old Oak Bay public school back to the Greater Victoria School Board, it was learned yesterday.

However, the council may agree to reduce the rental from \$25 a month to a purely nominal amount.

The school board now rents the building to house five elementary classes.

Mr. Patrick Birley said it is

his personal opinion that the municipality will want to continue to hold title to the land on which the building stands.

Should Oak Bay decide to build a new municipal hall, he said, the grounds of the old school, on Oak Bay Avenue near the existing municipal hall, would be the logical site.

The old school, once condemned in part, was returned by the school board to the municipality some time ago as useless.

But the board decided to rent the building a year and a half ago to house part of the rapidly expanding elementary school enrollment.

# Amputee Attacked

Robbed by Woman

DALLAS (AP)—A woman knocked down an amputee, robbed him of his wallet and \$29, and fled leaving him with a broken leg, Ernest Johnson told the police that the woman, about 24, attacked him at his shoe shine stand. He said that one of his artificial legs, made of wood and aluminum, was shattered.

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## Around the Island

Open Verdict Set  
By Inquest Jury  
In Highway Death

DUNCAN—An open verdict was returned by a coroner's jury which yesterday probed the death of Arthur Bibby, 27-year-old acting engineer lieutenant, who was killed in a car accident on the Malahat early Tuesday.

Medical evidence showed death was caused by a blow to the left side of the head which shattered the face and skull.

The jury found that death was "caused by severe head injuries." They did not determine the cause of the mishap. The young officer had just completed a special course at HMCS Cornwallis and was scheduled to report on board HMCS Ontario to take up his first duty assignment the day he was killed.

He flew to Vancouver from the East and bought a car in the Mainland city. He was motoring alone to his new post when the accident occurred. Lieutenant Bibby was born at Wallasey, England. His mother lives there.

NANAIMO—Changeover exercises were held at Nanaimo army camp yesterday when

## Teacher's Death Ruled Accident

NANAIMO—Verdict of accidental death with no blame attached was returned by a coroner's jury investigating the traffic death of Mrs. Shirley Pritchard, 30-year-old Port Alberni school teacher.

Mrs. Pritchard died in Nanaimo Hospital early Monday from injuries received Sunday when she was thrown from the light panel truck driven by her husband, Alfred Pritchard.

The truck, which struck a soft shoulder of the road and landed on a pile of rocks, was practically demolished. Mrs. Pritchard is survived by her husband, a daughter, Anita and son, Stanley, in Port Alberni; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. E. Cooper, Victoria; and a brother, A. B. Cooper, Victoria.

CAMPBELL RIVER—The March of Dimes fund grew here yesterday when Rotarian J. D. Iac led a total of \$20.50 in fines on members at the Rotary Club luncheon. The fund now stands at \$169.58.

CAMPBELL RIVER—A gravely injured logger was flown to Vancouver General Hospital for further treatment in a B.C. Air Lines mercy flight yesterday. Benjamin Visser is in serious condition with a fractured

## Driver Fined After Wild Chase

NANAIMO—A taxi driver who was chased by RCMP at speeds ranging from 70 to 90 miles an hour was fined \$30 when he appeared before Magistrate Lionel Beevor-Potts in police court yesterday.

Ronald Matheson was told he would lose his driver's license for a year if he appeared on another speeding charge. The magistrate said he took in consideration the fact that Matheson needed his license for business purposes.

Constable Colin Smith told of a wild chase through the Lantzville area which ended when Matheson stopped at a railway crossing. The constable said the police car went up to 85 miles an hour but made no appreciable gain for more than 10 miles.

Matheson pleaded guilty to the charge but said he thought the police account of his speed was "exaggerated."

DUNCAN—Funeral service will be held from Hirst's chapel at 2 p.m. today for August Johnson, 64, a resident of Vancouver Island for the past 45 years who died here Monday.

Mr. Johnson, who came to Canada from Norway, moved to Cowichan Station from

the 190th battery of the 66th light anti-aircraft regiment was replaced by "B" Company of the Canadian Scottish under Canada's new military set-up.

PARKSVILLE—Move to have a recount of votes cast for three seats on the village commission in the municipal elections two weeks ago has been declared illegal by Judge L. A. Hanna.

The judge said rules did not cover a village municipality such as Parksville. A recount had earlier been called for and granted.

Successful candidates were Ray M. Young, who polled 181 votes; William Fulcher, 174; and G. W. Bagley, 165.

Others' standing were H. J. Parsley, 164; W. L. Kleaman, 163; J. R. L. Smith, 125; and W. S. E. Morrison, 50.

## New Scholarship

\$2,000 Bid  
For Teacher

CAMPBELL RIVER—Students planning to become school teachers will be eligible for a \$2,000 university scholarship to be presented annually by Crown Zellerbach (Canada) Ltd.

News of the scholarship was given here this week by school board chairman J. D. Iac. The scholarship is open to Grade 12 students and selection will be made by school

principal. It will be awarded on all-round general ability and not necessarily on scholastic attainment alone.

First award will be made in June 1955 with the student commencing university in the fall. It is the first scholarship of its kind awarded by the paper company.

Chairman Iac registered his opposition to a suggestion from the Education Department that teachers from Great Britain be employed in this district to help overcome the shortage of teachers in the province.

Mr. Iac said there had been

no difficulty in obtaining teachers for District 72 and that the new scholarship would help to encourage students to enter the teaching profession and prevent a future shortage.

The department's scheme was quite distinct from the exchange teacher plan, it was stated. Under the exchange plan United Kingdom teachers are paid the equivalent of their home pay scale but under the new scheme the teachers would have to be paid on B.C. rates.

The board found it necessary to employ a part-time bus driver for the next three months as a sixth bus will have to be put into operation.

Students council were given permission to hold their annual Snowball Frolic in the high school auditorium free of charge on January 21.

## Meeting Proposed

Joint Water Scheme  
Proposed in Nanaimo

NANAIMO—Representatives of districts taking part in the Greater Nanaimo Water Board development scheme will meet shortly to discuss the advisability of joining forces in the construction of their water distribution systems.

A. R. Glen, trustee of Harwood district, said trustees from Chase River, Northfield and Deception Bay would consider the question.

It is felt substantial savings would result if the areas worked together rather than each one attempt its own construction program.

At the present time some residents of Harwood are connected with Nanaimo city water meeting.

Courtenay Bid  
Wins Contract

COURTENAY—A Courtenay firm which underbid all other tenderers by at least 30,000, has been awarded the contract for the installation of a water system at Comox.

Village commissioners this week accepted Larsen and

Grieve's tender for \$44,704. The nearest bid came from Christian Allan who tendered \$74,630 for the job while the highest estimate was Dawson and Wade's \$108,112.

Work on the first stages of the program is expected to start January 3.

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## U.S. Domination of Seaway Assailed

Alberni District Labor Asks Premier  
To Put Resources Policy to Electorate

PORT ALBERNI—Premier W. A. C. Bennett has been asked to submit his natural resources policy to the people of the province for an expression of opinion.

The request, contained in one of two resolutions passed at a recent meeting of Alberni Dis-

trict Labor Council, was passed unanimously. The resolutions stated that the province should be established throughout the country opportunities "for advancement to open up new job opportunities of our youth," the resolution stated. New industries should be established for workers and new concluded.

accompanied the group's submission that all present deals involving the sale of B.C.'s natural resources be held up until the next session of the legislature.

## APPROVAL SOUGHT

City councils and MLA's from this district will be asked to endorse the resolutions.

In the second resolution, the council called on the federal government to reassess its policy regarding the sale of natural resources to American interests, particularly in respect to "the very generous agreement made with the U.S.A. which allows American big business to control the vital proposed St. Lawrence seaway."

It was urged that a move be made to construct an all-Canadian natural gas pipeline to encourage development of manufacturing industries producing finished products in Canada.

Members of the council felt this was necessary "to halt the export of raw materials such as iron ore from Quebec, crude oil from Alberta, hydro power from B.C. and Ontario, and natural gas."

Development of the resources under Canadian control are needed to remedy "the present serious unem-

NANAIMO—A last minute spur of the moment Christmas cheer fund almost to its objective. Donations now total \$1,650 while the target is \$2,000.

A local man sent \$25 to the fund saying he had been invited out for Christmas dinner and would enjoy it better if he knew some others would have a better Christmas as a result of his donation.

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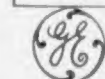
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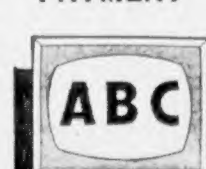
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# IT BEATS ME

By Jim Tang

How ridiculous can people get? That was the reaction here when the Associated Press, somewhat triumphantly, I thought, announced the other day that Willie Mays had been named the "Athlete of the Year" in its annual year-end poll. Not the United States athlete of the year but, in the opinion of the American news service, the best male athlete in the

This, of course, is a bit typical. To our good friends to the south, nothing seems to rate unless it carries a U.S. label and the colored outfielder of the New York Giants, not yet close to the stature of a Ruth, DiMaggio, Williams or Musial, is, they obviously believe, the best they have.

That, to them, made him the best; but to compare Mays with Roger Bannister for 1954 athletic achievement, is going far past the point of downright ridiculousness. Bannister, the first man to run a mile in less than four minutes and conqueror of the second man to do it, John Landy, in the Empire Games Mile which saw both break four minutes for the second time. Is not only the athlete of the year but of the past decade. I guess it's too bad he wasn't born in the U.S.A. That would have made him a unanimous choice.

Official confirmation of Cleveland second-baseman Bobby Avila as American League batting champion brings to mind the strange inconsistency of batting form. Avila's .341 was 36 points better than he had ever hit before in the major leagues and a 55-point jump from the .289 average he turned in for the 1953 season.

In 1953, Carl Furillo of the Brooklyn Dodgers won the National League bat title with a .344 average. That was 97 points more than his .247 of 1952 and 30 points more than he hit this season.

Another that comes to mind as an example of the odd switches in plate efficiency is Mickey Vernon, veteran first-baseman of the Washington Senators. Vernon has hit .300 or more only twice in a 15-season career. He won the American League championship in 1946 with .353, had slumped to .251 by 1952, then came back in 1953 to win again with a .337 average, a jump of 86 points. And then, of course, there was Harry "The Hat" Walker, who batted .237 in 112 games in 1946, won the National League title next season with .363 in 140 games, then went down to the minor leagues to stay a couple of seasons later. All of which makes one wonder where Avila will finish next season.

From baseball to insurance is quite a change but Reg Patterson, business manager of Victoria's professional baseball clubs from 1946 until this season, is finding his new line interesting work. . . . Don Gray has been asked to pass on Christmas greetings to all his Victoria friends from Ian Black, Fulham goalkeeper. . . . Eric Barnes of the Anchorage Boat-house at Bentwood reports fishing has picked up considerably in Saanich Inlet, with the usual winter spring salmon fishing at the mouth of Tod Inlet and some fine catches of bluebacks, nearing a two-pound average. The Anchorage, incidentally, should present quite a colorful appearance next year. Barnes expects to plant 3,000 huls and also expects to have a rose garden in full bloom during the summer. . . . many knowing baseball men give the Coast League another year at the most, with Los Angeles and San Francisco then being lost to the major leagues. That also means the end of Oakland and Hollywood, and with Sacramento and San Diego not too well situated financially, that leaves Seattle and Portland. Maybe the best thing that could happen to Vancouver would be to miss out on purchase of a franchise for 1955. The league will have to be reorganized in 1956 and Vancouver could get in for free. . . . unionism in baseball is quite evident when it was ruled that Ralph Kiner couldn't take a voluntary pay cut of \$25,000 although he switched leagues. Under the rules, no player can be cut more than 25 per cent from one year to the next and the largest cut Kiner can take is \$16,500. There is no rule, however, which states that a player can accept only a maximum raise of 25 per cent. . . . Fordham University, once a major football power, has given up the game because it is too expensive. . . . oh, yes, about the Coast League, the significant event of the past month was the resignation of Clarence "Pants" Rowland as president. He was the fellow who fought so hard to get the league recognized as a third major league. Now, he has rejoined the Chicago Cubs, which could only mean he has seen the handwriting on the wall. . . . the Cougars were due for a bad game and don't be too untidy worried if they lose a couple more. Two tough road trips in a month will take the edge off any club. If not at the time, then later. . .

GUESSING DEPARTMENT: Saskatoon in tonight's WHL. Barring average to date: At bat 843, hits 585, percentage .694.

## Giants' Rise Voted Comeback of Year

BY MURRAY ROSE  
NEW YORK (AP) — The rise of New York Giants from fifth place in 1953 to the National Football League championship and a four-game sweep over Cleveland in the world series was voted as the "comeback of the year" of 1954 in the 24th annual year-end Associated Press poll. Thirty-nine U.S. sports writers and sportscasters voted the surge of the Giants the No. 1 comeback with the return of the fabulous Babe Didrikson Zaharias to the golfing heights rated second. On the basis of three points for first, two for second and one for third, the Giants received 159 points. The amazing Babe, who made a successful battle against cancer in '53 and was cited for the "comeback of 1953," collected 58 points and 23 first-place votes. The resurgence of Arkansas football team, winner of the

## Johnson Beats Marshall

DETROIT (AP) — Second-ranked light-heavyweight Harold Johnson jabbed his way to

### Sports Fixtures Scheduled Today

WRESTLING  
7:30 p.m. — Opening bout of weekly professional card, Victoria Ballroom, KTVW.  
10:30 p.m. — Hollywood wrestling, KTVW.

## Minor Hockey

The Pee Wee Division of the Victoria Minor Hockey Association will hold a practice from 3:30 to 5 p.m. today at Memorial Arena. The practice will be devoted to skating only and no hockey equipment will be needed. All players are asked to attend.

## Rare Hunting Dogs in Island Kennels



Ideal all-purpose hunting dog for the northland country is this German long-haired pointer, valued at \$1,000 by its owner, Dick Van der Meer, of Ben Acres, Quarantine Road, near William Head. He has 22 dogs of the same breed in his kennels and they are the only ones of their breed in North America. He brought a male with him from Holland in 1947 and two years

ago imported a female. He is now trying to get them recognized by the Canadian Kennel Club. Because of their long hair they are even better than weimaraners and German short-haired pointers for hunting upland game and water fowl in cold climates, he says. He values them from \$200 to \$1,000 each. (See story on Page 13.)

## Clippers Shine in Win Over Tars; Hall Stars as C & C Beats Drakes

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# Horvath's Goal Spree Wrecks Cougars, 4-1

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## Sports Parade

BY OSCAR FRALEY  
United Press Sports Writer

Success goes to the heads of some people but it has made an even nicer guy—and an even better golfer—out of slender Ed Furgol.

For nine years the lanky-faced man with the withered left arm labored in obscurity as a touring pro. He finally hit the jackpot last summer by winning the U.S. Open.

And he proved again in winning the recent Havana Open that while his arm may be weak his heart still is strong. Because Furgol had to overcome an added handicap in winning at Havana. He has a pinched nerve in his right arm—the good one—and "it hurts every time I hit the ball."

Ed won it the hard way, too. He was in fourth place when the final round started and, despite that aching good arm as a result of a childhood fall, fired a five under par 67 to win by one shot.

It wasn't a "cheese" field, either, because most of the top tournament players were in the lists. As example of how well Ed played, he finished 24 strokes ahead of Bob Toski, the year's leading money winner.

It was proof again that Furgol is no "cheese champion" and that he fully deserves the golfer of the year honors which recently were voted to him. This victory also rounded out an amazing year for a man who never had won a major tournament in nine years on the circuit.

Back in the early part of the year he finally cracked through to take the Phoenix Open in a playoff with Cary Middlecoff. Yet, when they came up to the Open at Baltusrol, nobody gave Furgol a thought—except possibly Furgol.

Ben Hogan was picked by almost everybody as the "man to beat." Just before the Open started I lunched with Furgol and asked him who he liked.

"I've been playing well," he grinned. "I think anybody can win it."

He proved it, too, as he finished one stroke ahead of young Gene Littler.

A few weeks later he proved it again, beating Sam Snead, Lew Worsham and Hogan all over again in a Pittsburgh Celebrity tournament. Now his victory at Havana seems to indicate that he has finally found a consistently winning game.

But Furgol has found himself, too. As the disappointing years piled up, he had become slightly bitter, moody and frequently acid-tongued. Now, happily, his long-sought success has ironed out these quirks of frustration and the pros are meeting an amiable, smiling Furgol.

At 38 he finally learned to play—and live—from the heart.

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## Connie 92 Today



CONNIE MACK

Back in good health and good spirits after a recent illness, Cornelius McGillicuddy (Connie Mack), former owner-manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, celebrates his 92nd birthday at Fort Myers, Florida, today.

Mack, who claims people are "living too fast," says he is never backed away from anything to take things easy today and added that he hopes to live to be 100.

## Boston's Milt Schmidt Ends Playing Career

BY JOE KELLEY  
BOSTON (AP)—Milt Schmidt, one of the greatest of Boston Bruins, has played his last game for the National Hockey League team.

The fiery, 36-year-old captain announced his retirement from active play Wednesday. Henceforth, he will be in mull on the bench coaching the team with which he has spent half his lifetime.

He will be in command Christmas night when Chicago comes to town.

He succeeds Lynn Patrick, who from now on will confine his duties to the front office, yielding half his dual role of coach and general manager to Schmidt.

**BOSTON RECORD**  
Milt, who holds the Bruins' scoring record of 230 goals, never backed away from anyone. There are few players who challenged the redoubtable skater more than once.

Schmidt has been stitched often but his opponents have been stitched more.

That Schmidt usually was defending himself in these battles is borne out by the penalty statistics. He never was near the top among the league's ranking bad men. But, neither was he at the bottom.

Schmidt, who joined the Bruins in 1946, was a center for the famed Kraut line, or the Kitchener Kids, one of hockey's greatest forward combinations. His linemates were Bobby Bauer and Porky Dumart.

**WON HART TROPHY**  
Frequently named all-star center, Schmidt also won the Hart Trophy as the league's most valuable player in 1950-51. The season after they said he was all through.

One of the games of players, Schmidt has played with injuries which would keep most men home in bed.

He has suffered a broken jaw, shoulder separations, twisted knees, wrist and groin injuries and has been cut countless times.

He probably will make more frequent line changes than any other coach in the league because he will expect every player to go at top speed and expend 100 per cent at all times—something he always did himself.

Schmidt's decision left open the team captaincy and the players promptly elected Ed Sanford, big, underrated forward as their new leader on the ice.

**Marathon Ends In Dead Heat**

BOMBAY (AP)—The Bombay state marathon—26 miles and 385 yards—ended in a dead heat.

Judges were unable to separate the first two finishers and gave them identical times of two hours, 45 minutes, 25.3 seconds.

The Bombay report did not give the runners' names.



MILT SCHMIDT

## Red Wings Gain Tie; Extend Ranger Skein

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resumed yesterday at 72 for two, were all out for 184. They had scored 228 in their first innings.

England made 154 and 296.

**FAVORED TO WIN**  
Only left-hander Neil Harvey stood up to England's bowlers. Not out with 26 overnight, he battled through and remained undefeated with 92 at the end.

Australia was favored to win the match when it resumed Wednesday morning in perfect condition. But the sheer speed of Tyson put England on its mettle from the start.

In his second over, he shattered Burk's wicket with his third ball and then knocked back Hole's off-stump with his seventh victory. The two wickets cost him four runs in 15 balls and Australia was four wickets down for 77.

**HARVEY EFFECTIVE**  
With Brian Statham also bowling well, a grim struggle ensued. Although Harvey remained the best stumbling block, England never let slip the initiative and at 106 Bob Appleby removed Benaud to make half the side out.

Lunch was taken at 118 for 5—three wickets having fallen in the 90 minutes play, while

46 runs had been added. Australia then required 103 for victory, and it was still anybody's game with some big hitters to come.

**LOSING BATTLE**  
But Tyson was bowling magnificently and Australia soon was fighting a losing battle with

lost Langley to Statham at 145, and only Bill Johnston, noted for his stone-walling efforts, was left.

Harvey was successful in keeping Johnston away from the bowling for long spells and a stubborn last wicket partnership developed. But eventually Johnston was caught behind the wicket off Statham when the stand had realized 39, of which Harvey had scored 28.

**SCORE CARD**  
Australia overnight, 72 for 3.  
B. Statham, c. Tyson, b. Appleby, 14.  
Neil Harvey, not out, 92.  
Brian Statham, c. Tyson, b. Appleby, 18.  
Archie, c. Tyson, b. Statham, 6.  
Davidson, c. Evans, b. Statham, 6.  
Lundwall, b. Tyson, 6.  
Langer, b. Statham, 6.  
Johnston, c. Evans, b. Tyson, 11.  
Extras, 10.  
Total, 184.

**BOWLING ANALYSIS**  
O M R W  
Statham 10 4 1 45 2  
Tyson 10 4 1 45 2  
Appleby 10 4 1 45 2  
Wardle 10 4 1 45 2

**Remember When:**  
Bob Feller was chosen "player of the year" by the New York Baseball Writers' Association 14 years ago tonight, after a season in which he won 27 games and lost 11 for Cleveland Indians. Feller that year pitched a no-hit, no-run game for the Indians in the season's opener against Chicago.

## Tide Lineup Unchanged For Cup Game Monday

Officials of Victoria Crimson Tide won't make any lineup changes for its final match of the annual McKechie Cup series against powerful Vancouver Reps at Macdonald Park Monday afternoon at 2:30.

Pleased at the club's showing last Saturday although it dropped an 83 decision to Norwests, coach Doug Bray will put the players through a final workout at Windsor Park tonight at 7:30. Victoria dropped a 15-3 decision to UBC Thunderbirds in the opening match of the series.

The Tide will be facing its toughest opposition of the season when it meets the defending champion Reps, who boast seven regulars from power-packed Vancouver Rowing Club. The visitors will have a powerful scrum and a speedy backfield sparked by a potent right-side combination of fleet winger

George Pull and inside Gerry Main.

Tain Hendry will be at full-back, Laurie Feehie is the left inside three-quarter and Russ Henschell will start at left wing. Stand-off half is Doug Smart and scrum half will be Jim Dunbar.

Forwards will include Graham Budge, John Hudak, Tom Christy, Bill Westcott, Buz Moore, Denny Veitch, Ray Cocking and Bob Thom.

Dick Ellis will be at fullback for the home team with Frank Gower and Dick Hales on the wings and Bob Abbott and Harry Reddin at the inside positions of the three-quarter line. Ray Calton is stand-off, Gary Webster scrum half, and Harry Turner, Jim Mill, Paul Beck, Pete Fowles, Keith MacDonald, Pete Barry, Norm Dixon and Bob Shipley are listed as forwards.

## Stan Leonard Heads Team In Trophy Golf

LA JOLLA, Calif. (BUP)—The International Golf Association Wednesday announced the teams that will represent the United States and Canada in the fourth annual international PGA team matches to be played here January 18-19.

Stan Leonard of Vancouver heads the Canadian team. Others are Pat Fletcher, Henry Martell, Bill Kerr, Al Balding, Jules Huot and Gordon Brydson.

Heading the U.S. team is U.S. open champion Ed Furgol. With him are Chick Harbert, national PGA champion, Bob Toski, Jack Burke, Jr., Marty Furgol, Jerry Barber and Cary Middlecoff.

The teams will play for the John Jay Hopkins Trophy.

All of the players on the U.S. team and most of the Canadians have been entered in the \$15,000 San Diego Open, which starts January 20.

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## Aviary Hopes Birds Will Settle Here



Dick Van der Meer, of Quarantine Road, no longer pines for songs of the nightingales. He hopes to breed and to release some in the Victoria area.

## Victoria May Soon Have Colony of Nightingales

BY ALEC MERRIMAN

The sweet song of the nightingale may be heard around Victoria in a few years. Bird lover Dick Van der Meer, who came from Holland in 1947, deeply missed the song of the nightingale and has imported a pair of the little birds from England.

## Around Town

## Festive Treats Ready for Needy

The surplus food stall in Victoria's Public Market will hold a special stall "day" tomorrow afternoon, to make the Christmas of needy families complete.

Donkeys, ducks or chickens will be given to more than 100 families between 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Stall inspectors remind their customers that there is no donation and if families can not afford they should send a friend with their social assistance card.

A new record in donations to the TB Christmas Seal campaign in Greater Victoria is expected to be set this year, officials of the drive said last night.

Spokesmen for the B.C. Tuberculosis Association, which is sponsoring the campaign, announced that donations total \$14,000 and are "almost certain" to top the record of \$17,500 set one year ago.

A final figure will not be available until late February. Donations may be sent to the Christmas Seal campaign office, Room 14, 740 Broughton Street.

## Club Welcomes New Members

The New Imperial Social Club welcomed 21 new members at its Christmas banquet held at Loughheed's Banquet Hall.

Proceeding the evening affair was a children's Christmas party attended by 50 youngsters, who were entertained by the magician Ernie Crossfield.

Honorary Galt, Oak Bay representative on the board of directors and Phil Hudson were guest speakers at the banquet.

As part of the Yuletide festivities at the Empress Hotel the Rotary Boys' Choir will present a program of carols on Christmas Eve. The boys are asked to meet in the lower lounge of the hotel at 8:15 p.m.

An "in" contest for Royal Victoria Yacht Club sailboat may be held on Boxing Day (Monday) immediately after the flag officers' annual reception.

A special handicapping system has been devised to give all boats an equal chance of winning regardless of "class" or "weight" this being a time of year when many boats have accumulated underwater marine growth.

Instructions for the race refer to it as a chance for sailors to match their skill against flood tide rip tide ebb tide and Yuletide.

City police yesterday investigated an attempted burglary and entering at Christ Church Cathedral. Prowlers

## Yuletide Rush Shops in Dark During Dimout

Most of Victoria was without power for nine minutes yesterday afternoon.

Seven stores, including the crowded City department store, where an army of Christmas shoppers were piled into aisles when lights went out. Hundreds of shoppers rushed to their parking places, and the City Police were called to the scene.

Yuletide rush was interrupted by a dimout of power in Victoria. The lights came on at 1:25 p.m.

## Rites, Not Race Fired Sea Feud

Religion, not race, caused the feud which saw seven Negro seamen choose a cramped Vancouver jail cell instead of their ship, now docked in Victoria. The Daily Colonist learned yesterday.

The ship Tuesday night, however, was not docked in Victoria. It was docked in Vancouver. The ship was docked at the Vancouver waterfront.

They blamed the trouble on racial differences, but the Colonist learned that a feud developed over the Muslims' religious ceremonies while the ship was docked at Kobe, Japan.

Magistrate Thomas Bohm declined the first charges because agents for the ship failed to present a case and desertion charges were laid at once, for hearing today.

Defence counsel said the natives of British Somaliland, now residents of Cardiff and Liverpool, could not be charged under the Canada Shipping Act because they were crewmen of a British vessel.

Immigration officials said they could not get across the Somalis are on Canadian soil when the ship leaves Victoria tonight or tomorrow. If they do not leave, they can be charged with desertion.

They used marin spikes, razors, pots and bottles, while we didn't have a thing," one of the white men said.

The white crew members, who were on board when the ship docked at Vancouver Monday night when a Somali said, some of the white crew returned to the ship drunk "and had a fight with the Somalis."

The Somali refused to board the ship. He was taken to the Vancouver jail.

## Irate Legionnaires To Fight Indian Ban

It is "unmitigated insolence" to deny Indian Legionnaires the right to enter licensed premises operated by Canadians, Legion union has, Carl Fodas, immediate past-president of the Pro Patria Legion branch, charged here last night.

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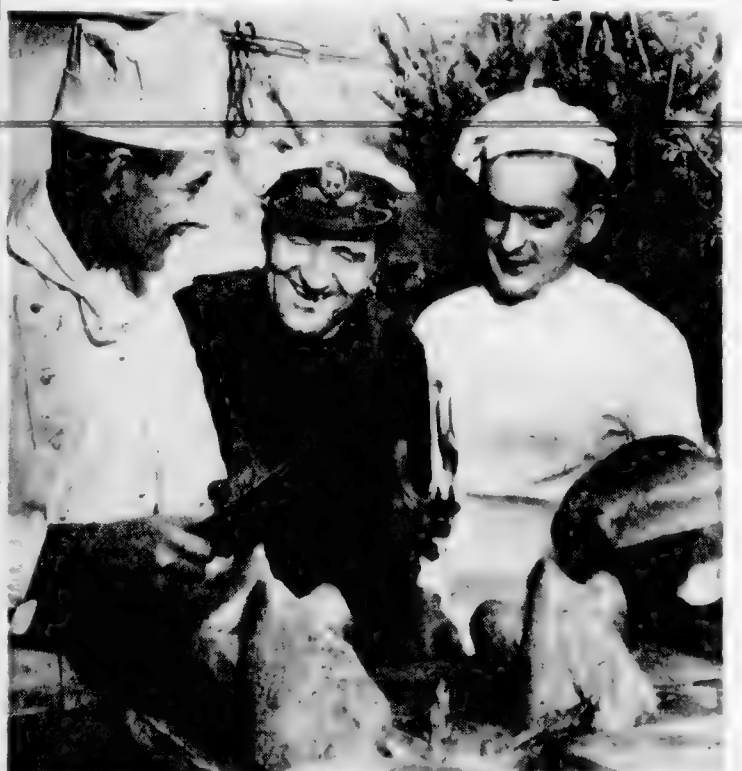
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## Christmas Dinner Coming Up



The galley is busy as the German ship Klaus Scholke, only brought here for Christmas, gets ready for the holiday. Cook Frank Berkowski, left, and Baker Frederick Voss, right, prepare the turkeys while Bosun Alfred Kuch looks for an advance food.

The Klaus Scholke leaves Victoria today, bound for South Africa. The ship was docked at the Victoria waterfront.

## German Crew Prepares For Christmas in Port

BY BRUCE LOWTHER

Christmas trees were brought from Japan for a sailors' holiday in Victoria. The trees will decorate various sections of the 10,000-ton German passenger-cargo freighter Klaus Scholke, the only deep sea craft to spend the Christmas holiday here.

Capt. Karl Klauer, 50, who has been in Victoria for two days, said the crew of 120 men will spend a quiet Christmas aboard.

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## Ghost Cars To Haunt Holiday Motorists

Ghost cars will be operated by the RCMP as usual this Christmas, but individual detachments will decide whether to set up roadblocks popular with some city forces.

C. E. Rivett-Carnac, assistant commissioner, said yesterday the RCMP will pay special attention to holiday traffic so that accidents and injuries may be "diminished as far as possible."

## Air Travel Increase May Be 10 Per Cent

Predictions of a 10 per cent jump this year in Trans-Canada Air Lines business to and from Victoria, reported exclusively by The Daily Colonist yesterday, translated forecasts of an even better 10 per cent increase later in the year.

As a result of the increase in business, Trans-Canada Air Lines is expected to increase its passenger business by 10 per cent in 1955.

The estimate includes 112,600 possible every year well into the future, passengers and 100,000 future.

## Driver Only Bruised After 60-Foot Slide

SUCKER—Robert D. Mosley, of East Sooke, suffered only bruises when his car slid down a 60-foot embankment after being involved in a two-car head-on collision west of the 17-Mile House, near Sooke.

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## Drill Given Realism

City fire trucks roared to Royal Jubilee Hospital yesterday afternoon when a fire drill was held.

Several employees who had not been informed of the drill, phoned the department as soon as the alarm bells started ringing.

Firemen booked the 2 p.m. call as a false alarm.

## Seen in Passing

Harry Chapman and Bob Maledon filling in her holiday Morrison, driving past a from 11th by working in a city quiet New York place. Gerry department store. George (Tons), one truck others, and Thom washing eloquent about dering west today for truck has new printing office.

Kimber McEwen, Len Rogers selling Christmas cards while in the same place. Gifts in a Yates street clothing store. Fred Caldwell, making gifts in a Yates street clothing store. Max Brooker having a Christmas tree after Christmas. Hugh Brown, spending the day at something he forgot. Out westbound in the dark.

Joe Evans appearing on a ship, during the power blackout. An unusual place for a looker. Morran Waller gallantly rushing passenger unless he happens to be in her room with a flash working there. Fire on light. Walt Conlan carrying Brown, carrying a small animal a 25-pound block of ice under around a city lot. Sharon his arm on Douglas Street.















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1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1997; 277: 1033-1037.

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**COPY DEADLINES  
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Copy deadlines for Saturday Dec 28  
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### 47A TRUCKS and TRAILERS FOR SALE

### 47B PARTS, TIRES and ACCESSORIES

### 47C AUTO REPAIRS and SERVICE

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That button on my pillow is beginning to work! I'm getting a dimple!

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**Ship Calendar**  
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**Don't Bother To Ask For License No. 1**  
 Officials of the motor vehicle branch said yesterday there were more than 100 requests for license No. 1.

**Don't Bother To Ask For License No. 1**  
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**SELF-CONTAINED DUPLEX**  
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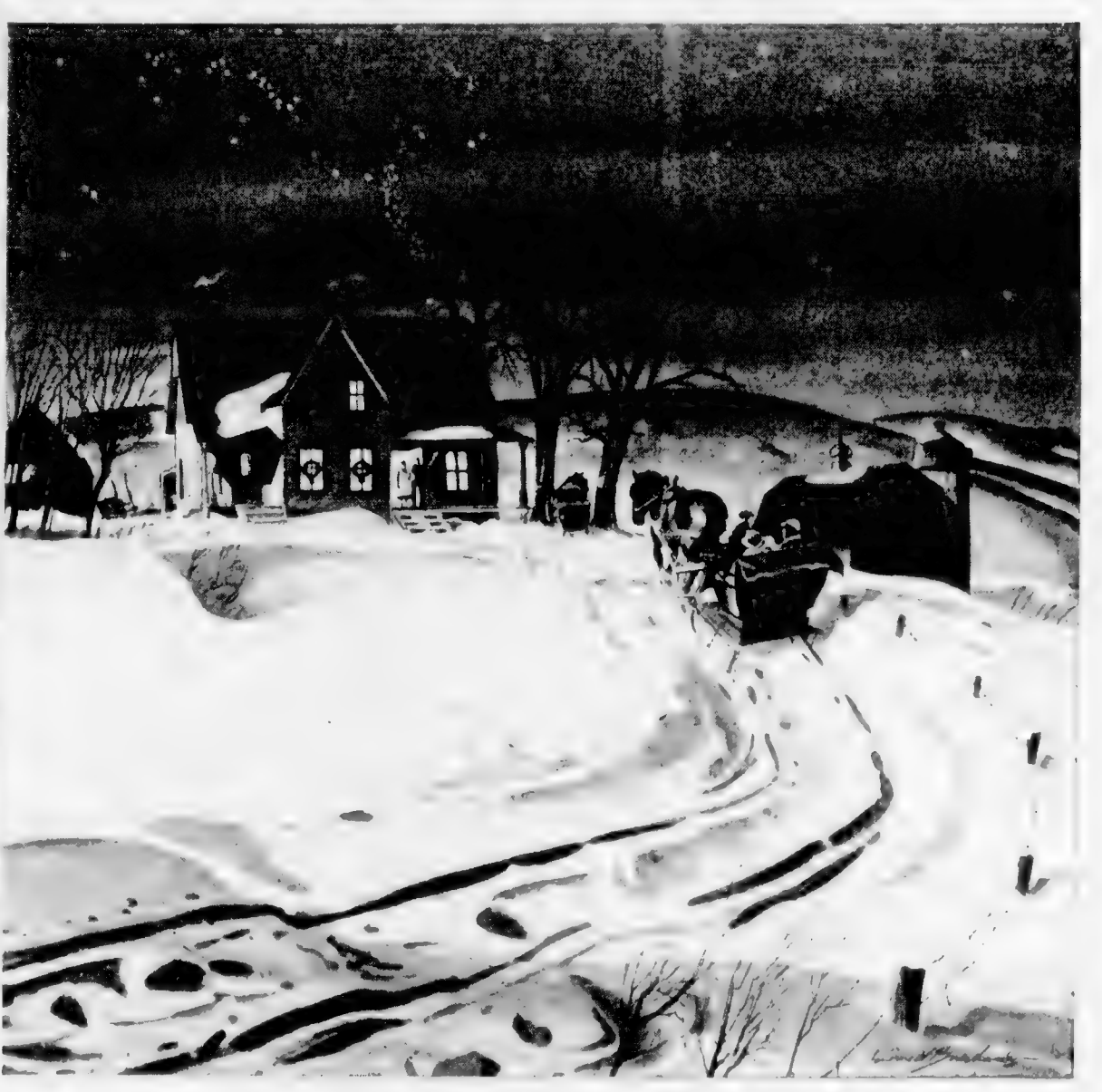
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**EXTRA Christmas SAILING**  
 DECEMBER 27  
 "PRINCESS ELAINE"  
 Lv. VICTORIA 1.15 p.m.  
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**LAST-MINUTE GIFT SUCCESS!**  
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**We all come home for Christmas**

...and this is the magic of Christmas:  
 that even though miles and continents may separate us from our loved ones,  
 in our hearts we all come home for Christmas.

**The House of Seagram**

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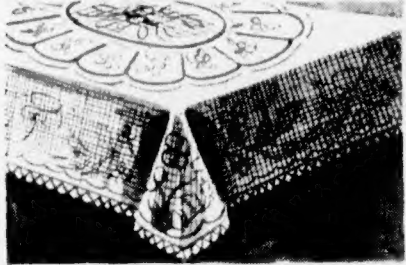


## Only 2 more shopping days 'til Christmas Shop from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. "Under the Great Tree"

● Shop by phone for every item except clock specials! All items are numbered for easy ordering and the order board opens at 8.30 a.m.

# Look at the gifts less than \$5 will buy

To give as a gift, or use yourself! Creamy, British lace tablecloths



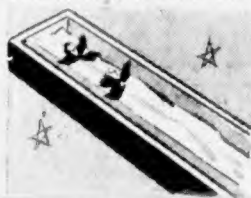
● Generous size, 52"x52" launderable beauty whose loveliness lasts months.

● A wonderful gift, whose heirloom-look seems much more than this low price!

2-tone cotton-lace cloths that look lovely on your Christmas dinner table... the dainty, lacy open work pattern has a look of heirloom quality about it, but unlike a more delicate material, can be washed with ease, and still appear as fresh and as lovely as ever. Here's a gift anyone would take pride in giving, as well as receiving, so choose one now at this low price! Special, each

**2.49**

**2** Prettily boxed towel sets in luscious shades



Sets contain 1 bath towel, 1 guest towel, 2 wash cloths, come in rose, blue, pink, green. Soft, absorbent terry towels will dry you in a jiffy! Set, each

**2.95**

**3** Finest quality Cannon cases in a gift box!



Smooth, fresh white Cannon percale cases, with a daintily scalloped border in pastel colors. Attractively boxed, just right for a new homemaker! Set, each

**3.50**

**4** A gift for the "home" foam rubber pillow!



The softest, most resilient pillow there is, that cushions your head comfortably, gives a truly healthful sleep!... Allergy free Latex foam rubber is covered by a zippered percale case. White. Each

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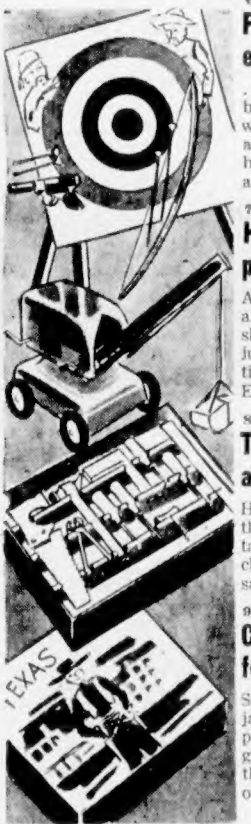
**5** Give a lovely gift of an Irish linen bridge set



Set contains one, 36"x36" tablecloth and 4 napkins. 6 fresh colors, chartreuse, blue, gold, rose, flamingo, blue, silver. Gift boxed. Set, each

**3.95**

These new toys provide hours of fun!



**6** For a junior Robin Hood easel type archer's set

Sturdy board is painted with bull's-eye rings and comes complete with a bow and 2 darts, and a gun and 2 darts. The darts, by the way, have rubber suction tips and are harmless. Set, each

**3.95**

**7** Here's a realistic steel power shovel for 8's to 12's

Any young man will have fun long after Christmas with one of these shovels that will dig and dump dirt just like a real power shovel. Rubber tires, sturdy crane. Each

**3.95**

**8** This carpentry set contains all the needed accessories!

Here's a set for the junior carpenter that teaches while he plays! Set contains saw, hammer, awl, tack puller, chisel, 2 screwdrivers, rule, sandpaper, board. Set

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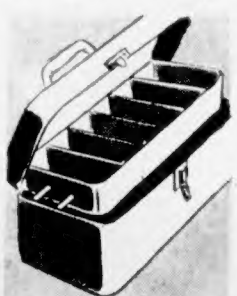
**9** Cowboy and cowgirl sets for tiny Lone Ranger fans

Set contains suede-finish chaps, jacket and kerchief. Kiddies love to play cowboys-and-Indians, and will get even more fun out of it when they're dressed in these outfits. Set, each

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BAY toys, 3rd

Every fisherman needs a tackle box!



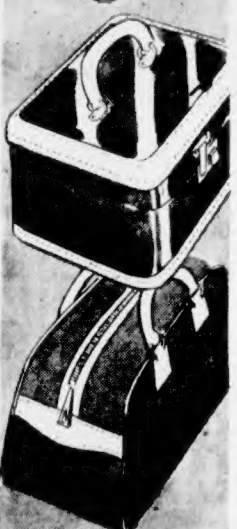
For a fishing enthusiast, a really appreciated gift... Sturdy, good-looking galvanized metal cases that resist rust, are easy to carry and have ample carrying space. Each

**4.95**

**11** Green metal tackle boxes

Equipped with shelf compartments for storing hooks. Green. Each

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**12** Lightweight fibre train cases have plenty of room

Complete with a mirror that helps you make sure your face is "on straight"... Sturdy little cases are 14" high, come plastic reinforced to prevent frayed corners, and are wonderfully lightweight to carry. Blue, wine, tweed. Each

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**13** 16" duffle bags keep gym equipment together

For high school athletes who need a lot of gym equipment, haven't got much storage space, a 16" duffle bag comes in mighty handy. Heavy drill material, complete with easy-to-grip plastic handle. Blue or brown. Each

**2.49**

BAY luggage, 3rd



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**9 a.m. SPECIALS**  
On Sale One Hour Only or While Quantities Last  
No Phone, C.O.D. or Mail Orders Please

**Large turkey roast pans** — Will hold a really big turkey, roast it the way you like it. Special, each **66¢**  
Open pans. Special, each **66¢**  
BAY hardware, lower main

**Toyland specials** — Novel stocking stuffer that will keep the kiddies playing happily Christmas morning. Tricky dog stocking stuffer, Reg. 39¢. Special, each **19¢**

**Smart accessory** — Neat, patent leather belts, reg. \$1 and 1.50. Right or left. Black only. Special, each **50¢**  
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Modelling plastic, reg. 2.50. Box, Special **1.25**

BAY toys, 3rd



**2 p.m. SPECIALS**  
On Sale One Hour Only or While Quantities Last  
No Phone, C.O.D. or Mail Orders Please

**Auto cushions** — Drive comfortably, take along a wedge-shaped, saran and plastic-covered cushion. Special, each **79¢**  
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Here's a neat little slipper whose flexible leather soles and wedge heels will keep the feet comfortably supported. Styled with pliable leather uppers in pink, red or blue and a cosy, soft wool collar that keeps the upper half of your foot snug and protected from drafts.

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Roast Vancouver Island Turkey

Celery dressing  
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There's a chance he may get slimmer still, however. He was arrested the moment he stepped to freedom to face another forgery charge.

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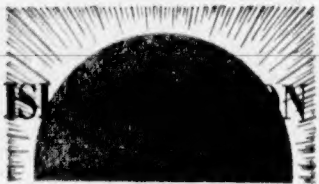
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### B.C. Assignment

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One result of the studies is expected to be a definite predictable unemployment peak and long range view of employment possibilities generally.

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Disclosure of the government's action came yesterday as Victoria local of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (AFL-ILA) urged establishment of a Victoria unemployment council, embracing trade unions municipal and industrial officials.

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The suggestion will go before Victoria District Trades and Labor Council January 5, it is expected.

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**BRUSSELS (Reuters)—**Belgian Foreign Minister Paul-Henri Spaak said Wednesday he is "convinced" the Spanish government is harboring Leon Degrelle, Belgian Nazi sentenced to death in absentia here after the war.

## Family Tragedy

## Baby Elephant's Wail Drives Mother to Death

MOSCOW (AP)—Tragedy has struck the elephant family at the Moscow zoo.

The mother elephant is dead, the baby elephant refuses to eat and the father elephant is crying his heart out.

Reports say the trouble

started when the baby elephant got a splinter in his foot. Veterinarians tried to extract the splinter and the patient wailed.

Hearing his cries, the mother elephant charged to his aid. She broke through the bars of her cage but got stuck. Before

she could be released she choked to death.

Now the baby elephant refuses to eat and zoo attendants are trying forced feeding in an effort to save his life.

Nearby, the father elephant trumpets his grief ceaselessly.